Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A blade attaching structure of a wiper unit, comprising:

an attaching groove formed on a wiper arm; and

a connecting shaft provided on a blade for wiping a window surface, the connecting shaft detachably and rotatably supported by the attaching groove, wherein:

the attaching groove is provided with a groove inner portion having a larger diameter than the connecting shaft and a groove entrance portion having a width narrower than the groove inner portion,

postures of the attaching groove and the connecting shaft are changed between a connected posture where the connecting shaft is prevented from coming off from the groove entrance portion, and attaching and detaching postures where the connecting shaft can freely enter or exit from the groove entrance portion, and

the connecting shaft is supported on the blade attaching structure to be slidable in a rotational direction of the shaft, the connecting shaft having a larger diameter portion and a smaller diameter portion smaller than the larger diameter portion due to a chamfered portion created on the outer circumference of the connecting shaft, and changing postures is accomplished by operating an adjusting member integrally formed on a connecting shaft end portion to make the connecting shaft slide in the rotational direction of the shaft.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Currently Amended) A blade attaching structure of a wiper unit, comprising:

an attaching groove formed on a wiper arm; and

a connecting shaft provided on a blade for wiping a window surface, the connecting shaft detachably and rotatably supported by the attaching groove, wherein:

the attaching groove is provided with a groove inner portion having a larger diameter than the connecting shaft and a groove entrance portion having a width narrower than the groove inner portion,

postures of the attaching groove and the connecting shaft are changed between a connected posture where the connecting shaft is prevented from coming off from the groove entrance portion, and attaching and detaching postures where the connecting shaft can freely enter or exit from the groove entrance portion, and~~The blade attaching structure of the wiper unit as set forth in claim 1, wherein~~

the connecting shaft comprises ~~the~~ a larger diameter portion and ~~the~~ a smaller diameter portion smaller than the larger diameter portion formed by externally fitting a cylindrical sliding portion having ~~the~~ a chamfered portion formed on the outer circumference to a fixed shaft integrally fixed to the blade to be slidable in a rotational direction of the shaft, and changing postures are accomplished based on the slide of the cylindrical sliding portion in the rotational direction of the shaft.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Canceled)

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) The blade attaching structure of the wiper unit as set forth in claim 1, wherein ~~the connecting shaft is supported on the blade attaching structure to be slideable in a rotational direction of the shaft, the connecting shaft having~~ the ~~first~~ larger diameter portion ~~having~~ has ~~the~~ a same diameter as the groove inner portion and the ~~second~~ smaller diameter portion ~~having~~ has a diameter less than the groove entrance ~~portion and changing postures are accomplished by operating an adjusting member integrally formed on~~

~~the connecting shaft end portion to make the connecting shaft slide in a rotational direction of the shaft.~~ portion.

8. (Withdrawn - Currently Amended) The blade attaching structure of the wiper unit as set forth in claim 7, wherein the difference in diameter between the groove inner portion and the groove entrance portion is approximately half the difference between the ~~first~~ larger diameter portion and the ~~second~~ smaller diameter portion.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Currently Amended) A method of attaching a blade to a wiper unit with a blade attaching structure comprising an attaching groove formed on a wiper arm and a connecting shaft provided on the blade, the method comprising the steps of:

moving the connecting shaft into the attaching groove where the connecting shaft can freely enter or exit from the attaching groove; and

changing a posture of the connecting shaft where the connecting shaft is prevented from coming off from the attaching portion, wherein:

the attaching groove is provided with a groove inner portion having a larger diameter than the connecting shaft and a groove entrance portion having a width narrower than the groove inner portion, and

the connecting shaft is supported on the blade attaching structure to be slidable in a rotational direction of the shaft, the connecting shaft having a larger diameter portion and a smaller diameter portion smaller than the larger diameter portion due to a chamfered portion created on the outer circumference of the connecting portion, and changing postures are accomplished by operating an adjusting member integrally formed on the connecting shaft end portion to make the connecting shaft slide in the rotational direction of the shaft.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) A method of attaching a blade to a wiper unit with a blade attaching structure comprising an attaching groove formed on a wiper arm and a connecting shaft provided on the blade, the method comprising the steps of:

moving the connecting shaft into the attaching groove where the connecting shaft can freely enter or exit from the attaching groove; and

changing a posture of the connecting shaft where the connecting shaft is prevented from coming off from the attaching portion, wherein:

the attaching groove is provided with a groove inner portion having a larger diameter than the connecting shaft and a groove entrance portion having a width narrower than the groove inner portion, and~~The method of claim 10, wherein~~

the connecting shaft comprises ~~the~~ a larger diameter portion and ~~the~~ a smaller diameter portion smaller than the larger diameter portion formed by externally fitting a cylindrical sliding portion having ~~the~~ a chamfered portion formed on the outer circumference to a fixed shaft integrally fixed to the blade to be slidable in a rotational direction of the shaft, such that changing postures are accomplished by sliding the cylindrical sliding portion in the rotational direction of the shaft.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Withdrawn - Currently Amended) The method of claim 10, wherein ~~the connecting shaft is supported on the blade attaching structure to be slideable in a rotational direction of the shaft, the connecting shaft having~~ the ~~first~~ larger diameter portion ~~having~~ has a ~~the~~ same diameter as the groove inner portion, and the ~~second~~ smaller diameter portion ~~having~~ has a diameter less than the groove entrance ~~portion, such that changing postures are~~

~~accomplished by operating an adjusting member integrally formed on the connecting shaft end portion to make the connecting shaft slide in a rotational direction of the shaft.~~ portion.

17. (Canceled)